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CURRENT TOPICS.

A LION in a jungle will jump 25 or 30 feet from a standing start.

AUSTRALIA harbors one species of kangaroo no larger than a rat.

It is claimed that there are 55 dogs in the United Kingdom to every 1,000 inhabitants.

A WHOLESALE Merchants' and Manufacturers' association has been organized at Atlanta, Ga.

An inventor in Madrid has succeeded in making a superior quality of soap out of grasshoppers.

JOHN N. BROWN, Rhode Island's richest bachelor is shortly to marry Miss Nathalie Dreiser, of New York.

Police statistics of the present summer apparently prove that humidity has a good deal to do with crime.

JACKSON, Miss., has a chain gang composed of eight Negro women. They clean streets for ten hours a day.

The sea round any desert island rarely visited by man and far distant from any mainland always teems with fish.

ENORE has 155,284 miles of railway. The United States has 181,774. We still march at the head of the procession.

The duke of Westminster has more children than any other member of the British peerage. He has been twice married.

LADY IVEIGH entertained 6,000 people from the poorest quarter of London a few days ago, treating all to a sumptuous repast.

The Duchess d'Uzes has some 14,000,000 bottles of champagne in her cellars in Paris, and as many more in her wine vaults at Rennes.

ANNA HELD has signed with the La Pompei Co. in London at a salary of \$300 per week, with her carriage and maid also paid for.

HUNTER exports of the United States for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1897, show an increase of 100 per cent. as compared with 1887.

It is believed at London that the formidable uprising of natives along the frontier of British India has been effectively checked.

JUNO WELLHOUSE is called the apple king of the world. His orchards in Kansas consist of 1,000 acres, containing 100,000 apple trees.

CHAUNCEY M. DEWEY is intensely fond of the Scotch as a race, and thinks that the only state in the union which resembles Scotland is Vermont.

BOSTON papers say that men have now gone out of service as telephone operators in that city and thereby one occupation is claimed exclusively by women.

MARY BAKER, of Craig county, Va., celebrated her 97th birthday by going into the wheat field and binding enough sheaves to furnish souvenirs to her relatives.

SISTER MARY ALOYSIUS, who recently received a red cross from Queen Victoria for her famous nursing on many battlefields, has just published a book, "Memories of the Cradle."

MARQUIS DE QUINCEY, a French sportsman who has lost one leg and walks about on crutches, has gone to West Africa to shoot big game in the Foothills of the Niger and the Upper Niger.

The German government is said to be negotiating with other countries injured by the United States tariff for the purpose of effecting an agreement to submit disputed points to arbitration.

A NEWLY patented clothes pounder is formed of a series of cones set in a flanged basin, the points of the cones ending in a socket in the wooden handle, the whole device being light in weight.

GRASSHOPPERS in Jackson county, Mich., have undergone a change of appetite, and have been eating the binding twine from the bundles of wheat, causing farm hands the extra labor of rebinding.

IN future the French government will prohibit the importation of foreign-bred pigeons, even when merely destined for pie purposes. Their reason is to prevent a system whereby foreign spies would have the upper hand in the event of war.

MARSHALAND natives, who are now fighting the British, seem to be provided with small-hole rifles. They are pulling down the African transcontinental telegraph wires and cutting them up into bullets.

MRS. SANDERS, of Melbourne, Australia, has decided to devote her life to working for the Fuh-Kien mission. She is to take the place of her two daughters, who were massacred some little time ago in China.

A HALF-BEARING fifth wheel for carriages has a double ball race attached to the axle, with two grooved metal rings fastened to the wagon box to rest on the balls, the bearings being oiled through a slot in the rings.

AUTOMATIC brakes for railroad cars are designed to take the place of bumpers, a sliding head being set in each corner of the car, to which levers are connected to throw the brake against the wheels when the engine slows up.

The countess of Aberdeen, president of the International Council of Women and of the National Council of Canadian Women, is now in England, and is endeavoring to organize a national council of women for Great Britain and Ireland.

The "horror social" is the latest function, at which every one is expected to bring that which he has the most horror of. At one of these functions held recently some of the ladies took men, others mice, castor oil, spiders, bicycles and grammars.

THE PROBLEM

Of Telegraphing From Railway Trains Has Been Solved.

Every Train Will Be in Constant Communication With the Next Station Ahead or When Desired With the Dispatcher or Any Public Telegraph Station.

CHICAGO, Aug. 30.—The most difficult problem of railroad operation—how to communicate by telegraph with a moving train anywhere on the line—has been solved by a young Chicago inventor. Edison, who has been experimenting with induction currents, has been fairly beaten on his own chosen ground.

George V. Trott, a former telegraph operator, has devised a system which will shortly be put in operation on the Pennsylvania line by which every train on the line is in constant communication with the station next ahead and, when desired, with the train dispatcher or any public telegraph station.

Briefly, every train on a road equipped with the Trott system, would at all times be on a "loop" circuit, extending to the next telegraph station ahead, and to send messages farther or receive them from other stations, the operator at the proper station would only have to "cut in" by means of a "jack spring" on one of the regular telegraph wires.

Mr. Trott's device is exclusively mechanical. It involves no new or unusual principles, and will require no more power to operate it than the ordinary duplex cell battery at the regular telegraph station.

The device which railway engineers declare will revolutionize railway service is an adaptation of the street railway trolley or third rail of the elevated railways.

Two insulated metallic tracks are laid between and parallel to the traction rails. They are not connected and at intervals equal in length to the circuit it is desired to establish are discontinuous and separated by a non-conducting cushion. A trolley mechanism, consisting of three pairs of wheels, connected in multiple by "knuckle" joints and hinged to the footboard of the engine, runs under the tender on the inner rails.

The contact of the metallic wheels with the metallic rails closes the circuit, as the wheels are joined by a metallic framework. Insulated wires conduct the current into the engine cab and by means of the bell cord into any part of the train, where there is an instrument. Trott is a man of frail form and poor health. He is 31 years old. Before his health failed he was an operator in Chicago, in Boston, where he was born, and in New York. He later worked for the Santa Fe as a local train dispatcher. He now resides in Chicago. He recently wrote to the Pennsylvania railway officials and was invited to send them his plans and specifications. Their engineers and electricians were delighted and promised to give the system a practical trial as soon as possible.

PRESIDENT M'KINLEY

Attends Divine Services at the Epworth Memorial M. E. Church, Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 30.—President McKinley attended divine service Sunday morning at Epworth Memorial M. E. church, where he has a pew. He was accompanied by Mr. James F. Rhodes, the historian, and Mrs. Rhodes.

The church was crowded to its utmost capacity. The president entered just as the voluntary was being played and in time to hear a solo sung by Dr. Ion A. Jackson, of the choir of the Church of the Incarnation in New York. He gave close attention to the sermon by Rev. Ward Beecher Pickard, and joined in the congregation at singing. At the conclusion of the services the president shook hands with a few ladies and gentlemen, but went to his carriage as quickly as possible and was driven to the home of Senator Hanna.

The afternoon was passed quietly and Sunday evening a dinner party was given by Senator Hanna. Those at the table besides Mr. and Mrs. McKinley were Senator and Mrs. Hanna, Secretary Alger and Mrs. Alger, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Corning, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Whitelaw, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Burnham, and Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Herrick, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. M. Kenyon, V. Painter, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hanna and Miss Hanna.

AN ENGINE

And Three Baggage Cars Go over an Embankment—One Fatally Hurt and Other Severely Injured.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 30.—The passengers and train crew of the Midnight Special on the Chicago & Alton railroad, which arrived in this city at 7:45 a. m. Sunday, from Chicago, narrowly escaped death in a wreck near Alton Sunday morning. Near the outskirts of that city the engine was derailed, while proceeding at a high rate of speed, by spreading rails and thrown down an embankment. The tender, three baggage cars containing the scenery and wardrobes of the Digby Bell Co. and Hopkins Theatrical Co. and a postal car followed and rolled on top of the engine, under which Peter Rafferty, of Bloomington, the engineer, was pinned. He was taken out fatally injured. Fireman Charles Johnson, of Bloomington, Ill.; Mail Clerks Robert Baltimore, of Jerseyville, Ill., and W. F. Simper and Samuel Grobbs, of Chicago, crawled out of the wreck severely hurt.

GEN. BANDERAS.

With 12,000 Men, Marches the Entire Length of Cuba—The Second Invasion of the West Was Effectuated With Little Difficulty.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—The Journal and Advertiser says: The sensational victory march of the Cubans under Maximo Gomez and Antonio Maceo, the entire length of the island in Martine Campos' time, has just been duplicated by Quintin Banderas.

This negro war captain, than whom no Cuban of the colored race, excepting Maceo, perhaps, has won greater honors in the present struggle for independence, led 12,000 men from the eastern end, where the patriots in arms are strongest, to the western end, where, since Antonio Maceo's death, through the treachery of his body physician, Dr. Zertucha, the Cuban cause has not prospered so well.

These 12,000 men represented all branches of the Cuban army service. They penetrated into the provinces of Matanzas, Havana and Pinar del Rio, strengthening the existing forces in each of those provinces to such an extent that the coming winter campaign there may be expected to be as disastrous for the Spanish arms as in the time of the redoubtable Maceo.

The news of the brilliant achievement was brought to the Journal and Advertiser by the mail from Havana in an autograph letter from Banderas himself. In it he requests the publication of the proclamation that he issued on taking charge of the department.

Banderas says that the second invasion of the west was made in compliance with plans that were completed by Maximo Gomez, the general-in-chief, in June last, and that the march was effected with little or no trouble or molestation from the Spanish troops.

"We crossed their lines again and again," he says, "but there was no fight in them and we had no battles. Our men behaved nobly in the face of constantly possible attacks by larger forces. There was no faltering at any time, and once more I have been able to admire the heroism of our soldiers who have fought, are fighting and will ever fight. I am convinced, until the independence of Cuba shall have been attained, they will fight."

The proclamation intimates that there have been wholesale desertions from the Spanish army in Havana province into the Cuban service, saying:

"In taking command of this province I send greeting to all its forces, but more especially to the brave Spanish soldiers of Pizarro cavalry regiment whom I reviewed Sunday, and those who, filled with sympathy for an oppressed people fighting for their liberty, have come over to our files, in this way giving most direct lie to those who say that the Spanish soldier exists only to serve as food for the cannon and for the purpose of affording means to their officers to get titles and decorations."

The rest of the proclamation is directed "to the men of my race."

A SETTLEMENT

Of the Great Miners' Strike is Believed to Be Close at Hand.

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 31.—A prominent coal operator in the Pittsburgh district said Monday night that the miners' strike would probably be settled, temporarily at least, within the next 48 hours. The operators have been quietly negotiating with the miners' officers since the adjournment of the Pittsburgh conference, and a settlement is believed to be close at hand. The operators offered to pay the men 64 cents a ton, pending arbitration, if the miners would consent to such an arrangement, with the distinct understanding that the arbitrators could not fix a price below 63 cents or above 65 cents. President Ratchford

made a counter proposition for arbitration, stipulating that the men be paid 60 cents a ton, five cents of that price to be turned over to a trustee or trustees and to be held until the arbitration is completed and then paid to the miners if the rate is fixed at 69 cents.

If the rate is fixed below

that figure then a portion of the amount held by the trustees is to be given to the miners and the other rebated to the operators.

A telegram was received here Monday from President Ratchford with respect to the operators' proposition, but it was somewhat blind, and the operators were unable to tell whether he accepted the proposition or not. It is believed, however, that he will consent to arbitration, and it is expected that work at the mines will be resumed before the close of the week.

The Strike Situation at Jellico.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 31.—The strike situation at Jellico looks more serious Monday night and Tuesday trouble is feared. At the conference of miners and operators Monday morning the miners refused to listen to anything lower than the rate of last year and the conference ended abruptly. The miners are positive that the mines shall not be opened by non-union men and the operators say they will open them anyhow.

Afridis Close the Kohai Pass.

PESHAWAR, Aug. 31.—A strong force of Afridis, it is just announced, has closed the Kohai pass, and therefore the proposed advance of a column of British troops through that pass has been countermanded. With the Khyber and Kohai passes in the hands of the enemy, the gravity of the situation has increased.

KENTUCKY STATE NEWS

COUNTY candidates are very busy these days.

WHOOPING COOT has many victims over the state.

CLOVER HILLING is in full blast and is making a very good yield.

The Thirty-fourth district republicans will hold their convention at Camp-ton September 11.

Typhoid fever is spreading in the Eastern Kentucky Insane asylum. Influenza is said to have caused it.

Gold nuggets have been found in the Muldaugh-Hill section of La Rue county by J. C. Darnell.

The cases against the alleged tollgate raiders at Lawrenceburg have been indefinitely postponed.

OLIVE JEWELL spoke at Murray and announced himself a candidate for congress in the First district.

The first Lyon County Teachers' association will meet in Kuttawa about the last Saturday in September.

The Acme Feather Mattress Co. will remove its plant from Cynthiana to Harrodsburg and open up for business.

A BENCH warrant has been issued for Thomas Tanner, a prosecuting witness in the Hunter bribery case, and also one of the defendants.

The John Hanning distillery of Owensesboro was sold to four Owensboro men for \$50,000. A grain elevator will be built on the premises.

Mrs. JOSEPHINE K. HENRY, of Versailles, is boomed for president of the United States by C. C. Moore in the Blue-Grass Blade. She is the greatest woman being in America he says.

Ex-Governor Brown has sued the city of Henderson for \$2,000 for damages from a street excavation made on the ex-governor's property.

A. S. HALL is under arrest at Lexington, having confessed to the forgery of the names of well known farmers. He had secured several hundred dollars.

HON. R. BRIECE SWEENEY, national democrat, has declined to accept the nomination for county judge tendered him by the republicans of Anderson county a month ago.

The 9-year-old daughter of H. F. Spain of Athertonville, coughed up a bullet which had been in her throat for years, and was immediately relieved of what had been supposed a bad case of asthma.

WOO-WY, a Chinese doctor, who left Ashland to accept a position in the Chinese marine service, during the war between that country and Japan, has just returned. He will soon go to New York city to resume practice.

The Princeton collegiate institute will open Wednesday, September 1.

ALBERT STEWART was run down by a train at Grayson and killed.

It is reported that Dr. Godfrey Hunter will permanently retire from politics.

A WELL known and highly respected citizen, but a rather quaint character, is Felix Hudson. He is one of the oldest citizens of the Woodville section and for many years has been a successful merchant there, although he can neither read nor write. He never charged a debt, but trusted altogether to his memory. When he made a purchase he always paid cash and never kept record of his business. His wonderful memory has always been looked upon by his acquaintances with astonishment. His acquaintance with stock for miles around Woodville is another remarkable feature. When there is a dispute about the ownership of cattle he is invariably sent for to decide the matter. His decisions are never questioned.

A NEW YORK syndicate has purchased the old Tarr distillery property at Lexington.

The corn crop in Edmonson county is said to be an almost complete failure on account of the drought.

More stock has been killed by lightning this summer in Kentucky than ever before in the same length of time.

The demand for their product at present is keeping each section of the Ashland hub and spoke factory running steadily.

The Boston and Elizabethtown Telephone Co. desires to extend its line from Boston to Bardstown, and will do so if the people will give it proper encouragement.

The Pittsburgh Coal Co. at Baskett Station has shipped about 200 cars of coal to the north and east during the past few weeks.

JACOB FISCHACK, of Louisville, was elected grand protector of the grand lodge, Knights and Ladies of Honor of Kentucky.

The following Kentucky post offices have been discontinued: Lasswell, Hardin county, and Forest Springs, Knox county.

CITIZENS of Louisville and other portions of the state are writing to Gov. Bradley protesting

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce

JOHN W. BAKER

As an Independent Republican  
candidate for Sheriff of Rockcastle  
county to be voted for at November  
election, 1897.

LIVINGSTON, KY., Aug. 31, '97

Once more I appeal to the people not to be deceived. I saw in last week's issue of the REPUBLICAN a letter written by a number of gentlemen, telling of what wonderful good officers we have had in the last year, I would be glad to have known some of their wonderfulness for good. I would like to know why those wonderful officers did not help to bring an officer before the grand jury. Even the Judge himself sat there and detained him when there was a writ served on him, and allowed him to get away. If that is what those gentlemen call good, I do not want to, or will not vote for them. You can call us bolters if you please, but I deem it a great pleasure to be called a bolter against evil. Hurrah for the boy we all know so well, and one that our county should be proud of—Little Dick.

H. W. RICE.

Mr. VERNON, KY., Aug. 31, '97  
Editor of SIGNAL:

In answer to an article which appeared in the "The Republican" of last week in regard to the conduct of some of the County Officials. We wish to differ from those whose names follow that article:

If necessary, it can be proven by reputable Republican citizens that some of said officials have been guilty of official and general conduct, not only unworthy of their official positions, but of the dignity and morality expected of the humblest private citizen:

M. P. Newcomb, Republican,  
H. C. Gentry, " "  
J. J. Smith, " "  
James Maret, Democrat,  
Wm. Poynter, " "  
Geo. E. McCoy, " "  
G. A. Parker, Republican,  
P. J. McMullin, Democrat,  
R. P. Norton, " "  
H. K. McKinney, Republican  
M. Pennington, M. D., " "  
J. H. Gault, " "  
Apt. Taylor, " "  
Meshaek Gentry, Republican,  
A. Pennington, Democrat,  
George Elford, " "  
J. E. Woodall, " "  
Andrew Gentry, Republican.

GOOCHLAND, KY., Aug. 31, '97  
Mr. Editor:—We may not be worthy of the confidence of good people, but we know some things ourselves. We have eyes with which we see; we have ears with which we hear. We cannot believe the men who signed that article in the Republican, believed what they said. If necessary, we can prove to any sensible man that the general conduct of one of our county officials has not been good. But upon the contrary, we can show you that it has been very bad. Neither do we believe that his official conduct has been good. As to his honesty, many Republicans know about that, for they have heard him testify. Our spirit is grieved to see such an article in the Republican for it only makes the breach in the Republican party wider and defeat more certain. We want to say that we intend to vote for Judge Colyer if he will only carry his own load, but just as certain as he goes to work for the

whole ticket we will drop him. We know others like us. We believe every man's personal ability should merit office for him; therefore let every man go through this fight for himself. We are for Dick Williams because he is an honest man—because he is a sober man and because we believe he would look to the best interest of the country. We think he would treat the rich and poor alike and administer the law to the humblest and poorest man that he would to the richest. Now brother Republicans let us consider what we have at stake and who is before us and let us, in view of these facts, vote the convictions of our hearts.

Yours truly,

I. J. SCOTT.  
H. P. ALLEN.

MT. VERNON, KY., Aug. 30, '97.  
Editor SIGNAL:—As there has been much said in the columns of the SIGNAL, of late, in reference to bolters and voting, I beg leave to submit a few thoughts concerning same. I wish to ask in the first place, what is the object of our voting, and what are our duties as voters? We have the right under our form of government to claim protection for our person, lives, liberty and our property, and we have to look almost entirely to our officers to guarantee this protection, hence the importance of selecting sober, honorable and discreet men to fill the various positions as officials.

Now, wherever a right exists a corresponding duty also exists. Then, as we, the voters, are entirely responsible for the kind of men we elect, we cannot be too careful when we cast our ballot, for it is one of the highest privileges that belong to an American citizen, besides one of the most important and sacred duties that we are called upon to perform. Should we suffer party affiliations to guide us in this matter, or should we fear being called a bolter. I emphatically say no. It is our duty to support our party, provided we have the proper men before us, but otherwise it is not, nor neither is one a bolter simply because he fails to support men who, perhaps, secured their nomination through corrupt means. A bolter is one who has not the welfare of his country at heart, but simply to get revenge for some real or imaginary wrong or for some selfish motive. Therefore we are not bolters in the proper sense of the term, but citizens who wish to discharge their duty.

Now, in conclusion, let me urge every voter—regardless of party ties or the party lash—to study well his duty before he casts his ballot, and vote for the best men and measures, and thereby casting a vote that he will not be ashamed for his children and neighbors to know, and at the same time be building up his country—religiously, morally and socially.

A VOTER.

Uncle Tribble Bryant is visiting relatives near Mt. Vernon.

J. M. Pingleton had a fine cow killed by lightning recently.

Mrs. Ella Veach, of Lexington is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. W. Hart.

G. W. Jones and J. G. Baugh, of Scaford Cane, were here Saturday.

Bert Johnson and sister, Miss Nannie, who have had malarial fever, are improving.

Uncle Johnny Dobbs died at his home near Snyder on the 28th inst. His remains were taken to the Scaford Cane grave yard.

Montello Gray, J. E. Byrne, A. D. Bishop, Bird Roberts A. O. Agee and W. D. Atherton visited the Sunday School at Wildie on Sunday last.

R. G. Williams was in our town last week telling the truth. Truth and morality is what suits the people of these parts. Hurrah for Dick.

## WILDIE.

The Sunday School at this place is progressing nicely.

Willie Brannaman was at Mt. Vernon on Saturday last.

Mrs. Nancy Coffey is in a very critical condition with cancer of the breast.

J. L. Brooks is setting his mill and will be ready for sawing in a few days.

Tom Brannaman was the only person from these diggings at the London Fair.

Our friend, James F. Griffin, was over at Mt. Vernon, the first of the week.

Miss Bessie Fish has been quite sick for several days but is improving.

Mr. —— Gray, who is teaching at Conway, attended Sunday School here Sunday last.

Miss Susie Witt, of Kingston, was here visiting the Misses Butcher a few days since.

Jones Fish is preparing to lay the foundation for a new store house. It will be two stories high.

W. H. Brannaman and wife attend the camp meeting at the Slatie Lick Springs, Sunday last.

John Crawford, one of Brodhead's neatest young men, spent Sunday here with his best girl.

John Baugh, of Scaford Cane bought of Hawkins Todd of this place seven head of fat hogs at the 3½c.

Dr. G. H. Albright and wife, of Barberville, were visiting the family of A. W. Stewart a few days since.

Miss Ivy Proctor, who has been in the Richmond Infirmary for some time has returned much improved.

Misses Joice Harris and Nettie Davis, of Whites Station, have been visiting Miss Alice Forbus of this place.

Misses Fannie Brannaman, one of Wildie's prettiest girls, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Anne Stewart.

Tommie Smith, of Whites Station accompanied by a friend was visiting his parents at this place a few days since.

A. W. Stewart, the champion boxer of Clear creek, was showing his superiority in boxing the other day with two very strong young men namely: W. J. Childress and Tommie Stewart. He made a few passes but to no advantage so the boys soon found that they could easily handle him. They gave him several punches in the side which broke a rib and ended the exercises.

## WABD.

Diphtheria is raging in this vicinity.

J. B. Livesay made a flying trip to Stanford last week.

Miss Maggie Sams is visiting her father at Flat Lick this week.

Rev. Williams filled his appointment at Freedom, Saturday and Sunday.

All present at the apple cutting at J. A. Moore's, Monday night, report a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Paynter, of Corbin were visiting the family of W. H. Cummins last week.

G. A. Morgan says somebody's hogs are destroying his corn and wants the owner to come and get them.

Died at her home, near this place on the 30th, Mrs. Mart Owens. She had been sick for some time. She leaves one daughter and three sons to mourn her loss. She was a faithful member of the Baptist church.

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## ORLANDO.

Geo. T. Johnson is in Louisville this week.

W. G. Mullins is shipping bark from this place.

To keep cool is our motto, politically and otherwise.

Our school is progressing nicely with a good attendance.

Jno. Hundley, of Amiyville, Ky., is visiting relatives here.

Sunday School at Flat Rock is well attended and is getting along nicely.

Miss Delia Langford, of Clark county, is the guest of Mrs. Payton Langford.

The old story was told here Sunday—that is several parties were in town drunk.

A. J. Moore has his blacksmith shop in running order and the ring of the anvil is heard early and late.

D. B. Langford has bought K. Hundley's property at this place. Mr. Hundley will continue the business here until January 1st.

Geo. W. McClure, candidate for prosecuting attorney, was in our town a few days since shaking hands with many Republicans who will remember him in November.

It is said that Bill Dooley caused considerable excitement while dexterous on white lightning. Possibly this was a mistake for it was John Hundley that serenaded the town.

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## COURT CALENDAR.

COUNTY COURT—Fourth M in each month.

QUARTERLY COURT—First Monday in January, April, July and October.

CIRCUIT COURT—Second Monday in February, Fourth Monday in May and Third Monday in September.

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Night Ex. South..... 1:09 a.m.

J. A. LANDRUM, Agent.

## CHURCHES.

Christian—Holds services 1st & 3rd Sunday at 11 a.m. and at 6:30 p.m.—Rev. Forrer, pastor.

Presbyterian—Holds services on the 4th Sunday here, and on the 1st Sunday at Livingston.

Baptist Church—Services on the Second Saturday night and Sunday. Sunday School at 9 a.m. every Sunday. Prayer meeting on Tuesday nights. Rev. J. C. Carleal, pastor.

## MASONIC.

Ashland Lodge No. 610 meets every Second Saturday at 1 p.m.

## LOCAL & OTHERWISE.

Homer Miller is in from Ohio.

S. W. Davis can suit you in bridles.

Mrs. Micajah McKenzie is no better.

Mrs. Mort Owens died on Monday last.

Wm. Poynter has been on the sick list.

C. E. Portman has been down with fever.

T. B. Lair was here from Livingston, Tuesday.

Tush Jones has an eleven-year-old pet frog.

Rockcastle's assessed valuation is \$864,119.

T. J. Cress was up from Gum Sulphur, Saturday.

Mt. Vernon Collegiate Institute opens next Monday.

Dr. W. J. Childress was over from Wildie, Saturday.

U. G. Baker is back home from a trip out in the country.

Clay Gentry carries the mail between depot and post office.

The hands at Whites quarry were paid off on Monday last.

Mrs. James Fish, of Crab Orchard has been visiting relatives here.

Some one shot and killed a fine hog belonging to M. P. Newcomb.

A son of Jones Kirby was mashed in a mine at Pine Hill by falling slate.

Misses Lina and Clara Kennedy have entered school at Franklin, Tenn.

John Noaks is up from Crab Orchard making lime barrels for Fred Krueger.

Engineer Humberstone had his left foot mashed by a falling brick at Corbin, Tuesday.

There are good prospects of the Lovell quarry near town being opened up this fall.

The Richmond Register office suffered a big loss by the explosion of a gasoline engine.

Mrs. James Landrum and family have returned from Pittsburgh, where they have been held in quarantine on account of diphtheria.

We are told that a line of railroad is being surveyed from Bowling Green to Corbin. This would shorten the route from St. Louis to the sea via L. & N.

Fred Krueger is now shipping lime and brick. He is receiving many orders. New kilns will be built during the fall to accommodate the increasing trade.

P. T. Downs, formerly superintendent of this division of L. & N., and later with the Santa Fe in Texas, has been appointed to a similar position on the Atlanta, West Point & Western railroad with headquarters at Montgomery, Ala.

Let S. W. Davis make you a good saddle, bridle or set of harness.

Dr. Pennington says he finds considerable malarial sickness in his practice.

S. W. Davis can make you a first class pair of boots or shoes. Call and see him.

John Stigall, of Crab Orchard is visiting relatives here. He is growing feeble.

The Rockcastle Baptist Association meets at Baptist church here September 7th.

Dr. E. J. Brown has been called to this county several times during the week from Stanford.

NOTICE—I have for sale one thoroughbred Pollard-China boar.

S. B. FREEMAN.

The L. & N. did the largest business in August '97, than in any other August for many years.

Diphtheria has not entirely disappeared from our town, though the few cases here are of the milder type.

Miss Mary Saunders, of Crab Orchard, has returned home after a three weeks visit to friends at this place.

Miss Mae Miller, our gifted musician will resume her studies in the Conservatory of Music, Cincinnati, next week.

We have more correspondence this week than we can publish censuring the article in the Republican last week.

Jonas McKenzie is agent for the Champion mowing machines and Birdsell wagons—now on hands.

We have added to our subscription list in the last two weeks near 250 new subscribers. We print what the people want—the news.

Notice—This ad. appears only once. I want to exchange my town property in Mt. Vernon for a farm.

J. P. LECHLITER.

FOR SALE.—One cottage of four rooms, good garden spot, smoke house, cellar and well. Situated near Collegiate Institute. Liberal terms. Call at SIGNAL office.

J. Mort Rothwell is having all the old buildings torn down at Dripping Springs and is making preparations for erecting extensive buildings of modern style.

J. L. Ramsey had a mare snagged to death. Jop McCall lost a fine one by lock jaw and Elliott Hansel had a horse killed by jumping onto a paling fence, during this week.

The protracted meeting under the auspices of Revs. Forrer and Boswell has been very successful and much good accomplished. Twenty-two additions up to Wednesday; nine of them came forward Tuesday night.

We learn that in some portions of the county that it is being told that R. G. Williams and Judge McClure are not candidates. These Gentlemen say they are and they certainly ought to know.

The Junior Endeavor Missionary meeting will be held next Sunday evening at the Presbyterian church at 7 o'clock. The program will consist of recitations, songs, readings, etc. All are invited to come and bring a nickel.

Miss Mary D. Cox, of Danville, will have charge of the Department of Music in the Collegiate Institute. Miss Cox is a lady of rare musical ability and is possessed of many accomplishments. We predict a successful term under her management.

Governor Bradley pardoned John Daneror who was sentenced to six months in jail and fined \$100 for the unfortunate killing of Hayes Mullins. The Louisville Commercial says the pardon was granted on the recommendation of the Circuit Judge and the Commonwealth's Attorney, and that the \$100 fine had been paid. He had served something over two months.

Ladies undervests at 8 1/2¢ each, at Mrs. S. C. Franklin & Co.

He can suit you in goods and prices. Call on S. W. Davis and see them.

Large line of Ladies' hose at half price at Mrs. S. C. Franklin & Co.'s.

Wanted—A second-hand heating stove in good condition. Call at this office.

MILINERY.—I have just received a beautiful line of fall and winter sailor's and walking hats. Give me call. CLEO BROWN.

Rev. F. L. Warren, one of our best citizens, called on us Wednesday and gave substantial encouragement.

The Ladies of the Maretburg church will give a box and ice cream supper on the evening of September 11, for the benefit of the church. Everybody invited.

McKenzie Brown, one of the most enterprising and energetic little fellows in the town is agent for the Louisville Daily Dispatch and is doing a good business. When not selling papers he is out hunting something to do. His school begins next week but that will not stop his other work. He has the vim of persons much older than himself. By the way he is already a good speaker though only about nine years of age. He is well up in his studies. We predict a bright future for this boy.

The Mt. Vernon Collegiate Institute will open next Monday, September 6th at 9 o'clock a.m. According to the customs of former years the friends and patrons of the school are invited to be present at the opening exercises. Addresses are expected by C. C. Williams, of this place and Dr. Cooper, of Livingston, and others. Prof. Scroggs has been working during the summer in the interest of the school and increased attendance is expected. The school building has been renovated, the blackboards made new, and the building looks neat and inviting. All are most cordially invited to be present at the opening next Monday. The faculty this year consists of the following members: Rev. L. M. Scroggs, Principal; Mrs. Scroggs continues in charge of the Primary Department; Miss Mary Cox has charge of the Department of music. Mr. Zimmerman is expected to assist in the Intermediate and Academic departments.

## ROWLAND.

Three wrecks in succession holds good.

M. of T. Röller has been goat riding at Jellico.

Tom Ferrill and the Dingly bill are rushing things up.

"Shorty" is a hustler when it comes to train dispatching.

Woods and Lynn are doing an extensive business in stock buying and shipping. They now have pens of their own at this place. They have been paying 3 1/2¢ for good hogs.

The change of postmasters at this place occurred Wednesday. Frank Cordier is the new P. M. On retiring, P. M. Shelton has the thanks of all the patrons of this community for his uniform courtesy and good service rendered during his incumbency.

## PINE HILL.

Pine Hill blows her horn once more.

The school at this place is doing finely with John Meadows as teacher.

There is a protracted meeting being carried on here by Revs. Owens and Riddle.

Mrs. Mary J. Goodwin has returned from an extended visit to Paris and Lexington.

A young man by the name of Kirby was badly mashed by falling slate in the mines Monday.

Miss Lida Cook, Mr. John Graves, Miss Loris McGuire, Mr.

Charley Burns, of Livingston, visited the family of the Section Foreman here Sunday. We like for the Livingston folks to come often. They are the people.

## GOOCHLAND.

J. W. Phillips has a very sick child.

Mrs. Sallie Allin is much improved in health.

Johnny Anglin, of Gumsulphur, was here last week.

Mrs. Ann Bowman is very low with consumption.

Mrs. Nora Anglin is visiting in Richmond this week.

Mrs. T. J. Ballard, of Cooksburg, is visiting here this week.

Matt Ballard attended the London fair. He reports a nice time.

W. G. McGuire and son, Ancel, went to McKee last week on business.

Miss Annie Baker, of Mt. Vernon, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Stephen Anglin.

Quite a number of young folks from this place, attended church at Crooked Creek, Sunday last.

Mrs. Florence Dooley entertained a party of her young friends Thursday night. All voted a nice time.

The "Rose Bnd" of Ino was here Sunday to see his best girl and some of the boys had to stand off like a lot of gold-bug orators at a free silver convention.

## GUMSULPHUR.

The river is as low as news is scarce.

Bill King and wife visited Julian Plummer, Sunday.

T. B. Hilton has sold his stock of goods to Tol Edwards.

"Uncle Nat" Wilmot for 13 years depot agent here is very sick.

Mrs. John Allin and Robert Wilmot are with their father, Nat Wilmot.

Edgar Edwards is the boss horse swapper. He says he has a "stepper" now.

Mrs. Henry King visited Jimmy Roberts last Sunday and reported a very nice time.

George Roberts enjoyed the smiles of his best girl and a large melon on Sunday last.

Miss Carrie Frith has gone to Stanford to attend school. All are sorry to see her leave.

Lige King is our live stock dealer and he pays gold standard prices too. If you don't believe it ask Lige.

Mister Editor your scribe has been over on Crooked creek and I just tell you that that little recommendation (of a hand-full of the "town ring") is not believed over there and the devil if I don't believe they won't carry that place by 300 for the name sake of the great Methodist divine. And Mr. Editor to see "Republicans and all humans so enthusiastic for John W. Baker and Little Dick and them to see them so outspoken and free to express it and declare they intend to vote right, makes my heart swell with the compound concentrated essence of pure Democracy once more and pon honor I wish "Buck Varnon" was here to enjoy it with me

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The facsimile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

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To nearly Newcomb Hotel

HUGH MILLER, Prop'r.

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Porters meet all trains.

Commercial Men's Headquarters.

# AN OPEN LETTER To MOTHERS.

WE ARE ASSERTING IN THE COURTS OUR RIGHT TO THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE WORD "CASTORIA," AND "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," AS OUR TRADE MARK.

I, DR. SAMUEL PITCHER, of Hyannis, Massachusetts, was the originator of "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," the same that has borne and does now bear the fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, proprietor. This is the original "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," which has been used in the homes of the Mothers of America for over thirty years. LOOK CAREFULLY at the wrapper and see that it is the kind you have always bought on the and has the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, on the and is the President.

March 8, 1897.

Chas. H. Fletcher, M. D.

## Do Not Be Deceived.

Do not endanger the life of your child by accepting a cheap substitute which some druggist may offer you (because he makes a few more pennies on it), the ingredients of which even he does not know.

## "The Kind You Have Always Bought."

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## GO TO STANFORD

40 Minutes Between Trains.

SAVE MONEY ON PURCHASES.

## "AS IF BY MAGIC."

Miss David's Strong Endorsement of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. She Wishes That Every Afflicted One Could Try This Remedy.

From the News, Hamilton, Ohio. From no one in this city has Dr. Williams' Pink Pills received more unstinted praise than from Miss David, of No. 16, North B Street, Hamilton, Ohio. Seldom one hears of such favorable results from the use of medicine, as was effected in the case in question.

Miss David, who is a modest and unassuming, but most charming little lady, is prompted to make a public statement of her case, solely as an act of charity to others who are unfortunate enough to be afflicted, and no one among Miss David's large circle of friends and acquaintances could possibly question the lady's motive in making such a statement. Miss David has resided in this city for years and is connected with the Taylor family, one of the oldest and most honored in Butler county.

Speaking to a News representative, Miss David said:

"Although I have resided in Hamilton for quite a while, I am originally from Pennsylvania, and it was while on a visit in Philadelphia a number of years ago, that I suffered a very severe attack of diphtheria. Subsequently my health became affected in sympathy, as it were, and it was only a short time until I became so debilitated and run down that I had given up nearly all hope of recovery. I tried many remedies and spent much money in an effort to regain my health, but to no avail.

"One day in looking over Philadelphia paper, my attention was attracted to the Pink Pill advertisement, and I said to myself, 'I will give it a trial.' Not anticipating results so soon, you can imagine my great surprise and pleasure to soon notice beneficial results. The old numb feeling in my limbs, for I had also received a partial stroke of paralysis gradually disappeared as if by magic—and my whole system was soon on the mend. In fact, at the very outset the medicine worked a wonderful change in my whole body and thanked the efficacy of my little Pink Pill. I am a greatly improved woman today. I only wish that everyone afflicted could try this remedy, for I feel certain that a speedy cure would be the inevitable result."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are safe for all troubles peculiar to females, such as hysteria, uterine derangements and all forms of weakness. In men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or excesses of whatever nature. Pink Pills are sold in boxes (never in loose bulk) at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of all druggists, or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

### A New Depurative.

"I know it is unprecedented, my dear," said the popular minister to his wife, "but I look for a new depurative upon my face. I know the public will consider me a sensational, unorthodox innovator, but something must be done to fill the church and bring me into notice."

"But," said his wife, "consider what an abominable, extraordinary and unparalleled thing it is you propose. I have never been in favor of your discussing in the pulpit subjects that will startle and invite criticism from the congregation and public. Why not confine yourself, as other preachers do, to matters that they naturally expect from a minister of the gospel?"

"They no longer attract attention," said the minister. "The people now demand something new and electrifying, and I think I have hit upon a plan of discourse that will create a furor in the religious world. I have decided to abandon the old beaten path and give them something next Sunday that will come like a thunder clap upon the congregation."

"Very well," said his wife, with a sigh of resignation, "if you have fully determined to take a text from the Bible, I will try no longer to dissuade you."—Chicago Tribune.

### Shake Into Your Shoes.

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet, cures painful, swollen, sunsmart feet and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous, hot, tired, aching feet. Try it to-day. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores, 25¢. Trial package, FREE. Write to Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

### A Mild Attack.

Beefneck Bill—Wot's come of your pardner?

Strongarm Jake—I ghook 'im. He got re-ligion already.

"O! Quit the business, has he?"

"He always wanted to open a safe with prayer."—Cincinnati Inquirer.

### I Was Taken Awhell.

Mrs. Tenepot—I am so glad that you are engaged to Harold Willoughby. Was it a long courtship?

Miss Skidmore—Not very. My cyclometer registered about 700 miles.—Judge.

### ALABAMA LADIES DON'T LIE

*Mrs. W. A. Garrett*

Oak Lowery, Ala., writes: I have used Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine in my family for 10 years, with good results. I think it is stronger than "Zeilin's" or "Black Draught."

### Cramps

Are caused by an irritation of the nerves. They are especially frequent in the result of uterine disease. They are cramps, gnawing and contractive pains in the region of the stomach extending to the back and chest. They are often the symptom and often the diagnosis. Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine should be used to stimulate the digestive organs and Dr. Simmons' Squaw Wine to give immediate relief and permanent cure.

As one of propounders of the article now called "Black Draught" by the United States Court enjoined from using the words constituting our trade name, does not equity require that they stand on their trade name and merits (if any) of their article, and not associate their trade for our article called for and known as Dr. Simmons' Liver Medicine, by publishing the picture of another Dr. Simmons on their article? I think it is unfair that their article "Black Draught" was established in 1840 that being the year in which our article was established, while no one can claim "Black Draught" till after 1840. Why do they do this and associate their article with ours (having the picture of Dr. M. A. Simmons on their article) if not to unfairly appropriate our trade? Is not the motive avarice?

*Pro. T. C. Riley*

San Antonio, Tex., says: My wife has used Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine for 10 years for sick Headache and never fails to buy a package when she expects to travel. It saves one from taking injurious drugs.

### For 15 years it has been a necessary medicine in my

Caution. Don't be fooled into taking cheap worthless stuff. If the merchant tells you "it is just the same" as M. A. S. I. M., you may know that he is trying to sell you cheap stuff to make a big profit by pawning off on you a wholly different article.

## EXTRAVAGANT MANAGEMENT. REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT IS ALWAYS VERY COSTLY.

## WAVES OF PROSPERITY. PROTECTION WORKS ON THE SWELL AND FALL PRINCIPLE.

The result of republican extravagance has manifested itself in unmistakable form thus early in the life of the McKinley administration. July was the first month of the new fiscal year, and Secretary Gage's treasury balance shows a deficit of \$11,000,000. When the enormous anticipatory imports to escape the duties of the Dingley bill are taken into account, together with the unusually heavy payments into the treasury by the brewers to save the rebate on beer stamps, the conclusion is inevitable that the deficit is due to the reckless use of public funds.

The amount paid out of the treasury in July exceeded by \$8,000,000 the amount paid out during July of last year. This excess represents the difference between republican government and democratic government. In other words, republican government costs \$8,000,000 more a month than democratic government.

One of the items of extra cost was contained in the pension account. Pension payments for the month of July aggregated nearly \$15,000,000, almost \$2,000,000 in excess of the amount paid in pensions during the corresponding month last year. When the pension lists reached the \$30,000,000 mark in the early part of Grant's second administration he apologized for the amount and predicted that from that year on the pension account would decrease. A few years afterward Samuel J. Randall as chairman of the appropriations committee submitted a bill to the house carrying less than \$40,000,000 in pensions and explained that the committee believed the high-water mark in pensions had been reached. Instead of decreasing, the amount paid in pensions every year since has increased, and this year the prodigious sum of \$141,000,000 was appropriated by the republican congress. This exceeds the total cost of any of the various huge standing armies of war-scarred Europe. It is more than enough to equip and put in the field an army strong enough to successfully cope with any of the finely-organized and terrible war engines of Europe on land or sea. The absurdity of such extravagance is too obvious to require analysis. Where or when it will stop no man pretends to know. Certainly there is no hope of checking it as long as the republicans hold the purse strings.

National gratitude has its limits. Men who were incapacitated for self-support in saving the union deserve national aid. This doctrine of Solon has the endorsement of modern enlightenment. But it is now more than 30 years since the civil war closed. Even if all of the more than 2,000,000 men who fought for the union were alive and entitled to pensions, under a strict and honest interpretation, the amount would not be much greater than it now is. Indeed, it probably would not be as large if rigid honesty were applied to the question of pensions. The laws have been so loosely and dishonestly administered that the cost of pensions swells when there should be a steady decrease.—St. Louis Republic.

## DEFICIT AND PROSPERITY.

### PROTECTIONISTS HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE LIFE BY EVENTS.

The republican organs positively assured us some months ago that we could not hope for any prosperity so long as there was a deficit in the treasury. There is nothing in this wide world, said they, in effect, that will take the starch out of business like a deficit. The merchant might as well expect a rush of trade with a roaring lion standing in his front door as to hope to dodge the sheriff when there is a deficit in the federal revenues. The catalogue of political ills is a long one, but a deficit is the boss ill and as good as any two among the toughest of the lot. The extra session of congress was called to wipe out the deficit and save the country, and yet we are now in the enjoyment of a high degree of prosperity while the deficit continues to transact its pernicious business at the old stand.

Of course, there are those who say that the prosperity we are now enjoying is all on paper, but they are of the breed called "enamored howlers." They have an interest of one kind or another in hard times; the harder the better. They don't want prosperity themselves and they don't want anybody else to have any, and when there are no hard times they try to deceive themselves and others by howling that the times are simply awful. They are not to be considered. The fact is that we have prosperity in abundance, and in spite of the terrible deficit. Nothing is clearer than that the protectionist organs shamefully misrepresented the deficit, for we are a prosperous and happy people with the deficit still on deck. If the protectionists are not a little more careful about their utterances they may run the risk of getting popular credit for saying what is not so.—Chicago Tribune.

The tariff "for revenue" does not seem to be filling requirements. The receipts from customs under the new law continue small, averaging about \$200,000 a day, while it will take an average of \$500,000 a day to wipe out the deficit. The whole of the government revenue collected for this month amounts to about \$10,000,000, while the expenditures are over \$18,000,000. Prosperity cannot stand such inequality between expenditure and income very long.—Indianapolis News.

We are told in one breath by the republican organs that the effect of the Dingley tariff will be to restrict imports, and thus insure a favorable balance of trade, and in the next breath that the Dingley tariff will also increase the revenues and keep the treasury full of gold. Unless there shall be large imports there cannot be a large revenue collected from imports. If the Dingley law shall stop imports it will stop revenue.—Philadelphia Record.

—When the Dingley tariff was being made up Alabama iron manufacturers declared that they did not want any protection, because they could sell their product abroad without any. They have been shipping iron right along under the Wilson tariff to England and other countries of Europe and they can continue to do so.—N. O. Picayune.

## TESTS OF ARMOR CLOTH. STEEL BULLETS FAIL TO PIERCE CASIMIR ZEGELEN'S FABRIC.

Tests of the armor cloth invented by Casimir Zegelen were made with the United States army rifle at Fort Sheridan, Ill., the other day, under the direction of Col. Hall. They proved to the satisfaction of the watchers the impenetrable quality of the cloth.

Thus we have by their own showflag the estimate which the blatant heralds of artificial prosperity place upon their own product. These partisan John the Baptists, going up and down the land telling the people to make way for prosperity, have at least the virtue of ingenuousness. They pride of a tidal wave of prosperity that is not expected on their own showing to be lasting. We are to have, according to these heralds, a wave of such prosperity as the country has never witnessed before, and all interested are to make hay while the sun shines, for not being founded on rational economics there is no telling how long the wave may last.

The whole theory of tariff legislation is based on the alternate swell and subsidence of so-called prosperity. A wave, either in economics or physics, presupposes a depression elsewhere.

Following the physical origin of a wave to its logical conclusion, it is the depression that causes the wave, and vice versa.

Prosperity for the trusts and monopolies of the United States, which is the real aim of the tariff necromancers, presupposes depression among other classes, principally consumers and the labor element.

Based on robbery, which differs in degree only and in kind from the piracy of the middle ages or the brigandage of modern frontier life, this kind of prosperity always runs its course when an aroused public sentiment considers it time to call a halt. Whatever of real prosperity is in store for the people of the United States in the near future will be a tardy surmounting of obstacles thrown in the way of natural recuperation from hard times by the tariff tinkerers. It is to be profoundly hoped that such real prosperity, whose welcome appearance will need no heralds or exploiters, will come to remain with us and not to sweep over the nation with ephemeral touch.

Oscillation from the heights of artificial prosperity to the depths of extreme depression constitutes the most hurtful of experiences for the body politic. Steady growth without these alternate extremes is the only sign of genuine prosperity, and such growth is the nation's assured destiny when the tariff jinglers are suppressed for good.—Chicago Chronicle.

TO BUNKO THE PEOPLE.

### THE "SOUND MONEY" SCHEME OF THE REPUBLICANS.

The great cry of the republican party during the campaign was for "sound money." It declared that the question should be placed beyond controversy. It had dallied for month after month with other questions, and has finally been checkmated in this attempt to enact a parliamentary fraud upon the people. All this, too, in view of the fact that the money question is regarded as the greatest which has come before the country in its century of existence. Even after adjournment of congress, Secretary Gage, speaking for the republican party and as the head of the treasury portfolio, which is the business bureau of the government, declared that the tariff issue was infinitesimal beside the demand for money reform. Notwithstanding this declaration, which is but an echo of what the people have already declared, the country is doomed to a fresh period of disappointment. The doctor who begs to be called to the side of the sick patient and then fails to apply the remedy is a wretch indeed, but what is he compared to that great doctor of political ills who went before the country on a series of false promises and who is unable to redeem a single one of them?

The people of the United States are too intelligent to be further bunkoed by such transparent schemes, and they know now, if they did not know it before, that the republican party is but the creature of corporations, trusts and rings, which have no other purpose but the destruction of personal liberty and the robbery of their substance.—Atlanta Constitution.

POINTS AND OPINIONS.

—Isn't it odd that Mark Hanna hasn't claimed the Klondike gold strike as a logical outcome of McKinley's election?—St. Louis Republic.

—The man with a small salary and a large family, to whom the return of prosperity bringeth only higher prices for the things he buyeth, may rejoice that he holdeth his job.—Chicago Tribune.

—Consumers now required to pay higher prices for the tariff-taxied necessities of life are beginning to realize that it costs money to see the elephant, especially the pachyderm of the g. o. p. variety.—St. Louis Republic.

—Mark Hanna is quoted as saying some time ago that "no man in public office owes the public anything." In so far as Mr. Hanna has any power in the matter, he has seen that the public gets nothing, except the worst of it.—Binghamton (N. Y.) Leader.

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## ENCOURAGING STATISTICS.

The Baltimore and Ohio officials are very much pleased with certain statistics that have recently been prepared of the performance of freight trains on the Second division, which handles all the east and west-bound traffic between Baltimore and Cumberland. Before the new freight engines were purchased, and the improvements made in the track in the way of straightening curves and clearing the same, the number of cars to the train was 281.2. Now, with more powerful and modern motive power and a better track, the average is 40 cars per train, an increase of 41 per cent. The average east-bound movement per day for the first ten days of August was 1,123 loaded cars. On the Third division, Cumberland to Grafton, where there are grades of 12% and 18% to the mile, the engines travel about 19.2 loaded cars per train. Now the average is 25.2 loaded cars per train, an increase of 31 per cent. It would certainly appear that the money spent in improvements on the B. and O. is being amply justified, and that the cost of operation is being very materially reduced.

THE COUNTRY'S NEEDS.—"What this country needs," said the earnest citizen, "is more warships." "Yes," replied Senator Borglum, reflectively, "and more consuls."

Washington Star.

DO WE NEED BIG MUSCLES?

By no means. Persons of Herculean build frequently possess a minimum of genuine vigor, and exhibit less endurance than very small people. Real vigor means the ability to digest and sleep well, and to perform a reasonable amount of daily physical and mental labor without unnatural fatigue. It is because a course of Hostetter's Stomach Litter enables the enfeebled dyspeptic to resume his allotted activity of every day life, as well as to rejoice without discomfort in its enjoyments, that it is such a pre-eminently useful medicine.

If a man makes a success in life, he likes to tell how he started with nothing.—Washington Democrat.

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VIA BURLINGTON ROUTE.

One fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip to Nebraska, Kansas, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Black Hills, certain portions of Iowa, Colorado and Utah. September 7th, 21st, October 18th, 22nd, 26th, 27th, 30th, 31st, November 1st, 4th, 11th, 14th, 18th, 21st, 24th, 27th, 30th, December 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 16th, 19th, 22nd, 25th, 28th, 31st, January 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 16th, 19th, 22nd, 25th, 28th, 31st, February 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 16th, 19th, 22nd, 25th, 28th, 31st, March 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 16th, 19th, 22nd, 25th, 28th, 31st, April 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 16th, 19th, 22nd, 25th, 28th, 31st, May 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 16th, 19th, 22nd, 25th, 28th, 31st, June 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 16th, 19th, 22nd, 25th, 28th, 31st, July 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 16th, 19th, 22nd, 25th, 28th, 31st, August 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 16th, 19th, 22nd, 25th, 28th, 31st, September 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 16th, 19th, 22nd, 25th, 28th, 31st, October